

# DNREC Division of Fish & Wildlife announces 'Take a Kid Fishing!' program dates

*Registration now open for May-July events throughout the state*

**DOVER** – Do you know a child or young teen who might enjoy learning about fishing and delight in having the opportunity to catch a fish? DNREC's Division of Fish & Wildlife invites budding anglers age 6 through 15 to come out and learn to fish with a parent, grandparent, or guardian on six upcoming "Take a Kid Fishing!" events.

"Take a Kid Fishing!" events are offered free of charge to all participants, and will be held on the following dates:

- 9 a.m. – noon, Saturday, May 18, Aquatic Resources Education Center, Smyrna
- 9 a.m. – noon, Saturday, June 1, Aquatic Resources Education Center, Smyrna
- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, June 8, Lums Pond State Park, Bear
- 9 a.m. – noon, Saturday, June 15, Aquatic Resources Education Center, Smyrna
- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Saturday, July 13, Redden State Forest, Georgetown
- 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, July 20, Lums Pond State Park, Bear

Fishing equipment is also provided by the Division of Fish & Wildlife free for use by participants. To ensure that enough supplies are on hand for these events, pre-registration is required. To pre-register for a "Take a Kid Fishing!" event, or for more information about the program or about volunteering as an instructor, please email Mary Rivera at [mary.rivera@delaware.gov](mailto:mary.rivera@delaware.gov).

“Take a Kid Fishing!” teaches youngsters fundamental fishing skills and conservation concepts, including catch-and-release. Along with the angling experience, these free fishing events also feature activity stations and prizes. Packing refreshments and a picnic lunch is encouraged.

Most parents, grandparents, or others age 16 and older who engage in fishing with “Take a Kid Fishing!” participants must have a current Delaware fishing license and a Delaware Fisherman Information Network (FIN) number. The free FIN number is included as part of a Delaware fishing license purchase. License-exempt anglers, including Delaware residents 65 and older, may visit [www.delaware-fin.com](http://www.delaware-fin.com) or call 800-432-9228 toll-free to obtain their free FIN number.

Delaware fishing licenses are sold online, at the licensing desk in DNREC’s Richardson & Robbins Building, 89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE 19901, and by license agents statewide. To find a participating agent, or to purchase a license online, visit [Delaware Licenses](#).

For more information on fishing in Delaware, click on the [2019 Delaware Fishing Guide](#). The guide also is available in printed form at DNREC’s Dover licensing desk, and from license agents throughout the state.

“Take a Kid Fishing!” is sponsored by the DNREC Division of Fish & Wildlife’s Aquatic Resources Education Center, with host sites provided by the Division of Fish & Wildlife and DNREC’s Division of Parks & Recreation, and the Delaware Department of Agriculture’s Forest Service. Some of the fishing tackle for these events is donated by Cabela’s located at the Christiana Mall.

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